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IN BRIEF

Residents of Gull Lake may receive high speed Internet after all. Businessman Jean Gauthier intends to outfit the Lutterworth communication tower with a device that will allow wireless, high-speed Internet to be accessed by residents in the Gull Lake area. Minden Hills approved his request, at no cost to the township.

IN QUOTES

"We're thrilled, absolutely thrilled. We've been working long and hard, seven days a week on this."

Paul MacInnes
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Friends rescue swimmer after heart attack

by MATT JAMES
 Times Staff

Sixty-three-year old Richard Hansen is lucky to be alive after suffering a heart attack while swimming on Sunday.

Officers from the Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment were called to the residence of Beni Kearns and Larry Goreski on Tennyson Road in Minden on July 12.

For years Goreski has hosted a summer get together with friends, including a barbecue, lawn games a swim in the backyard pool if the weather permits.

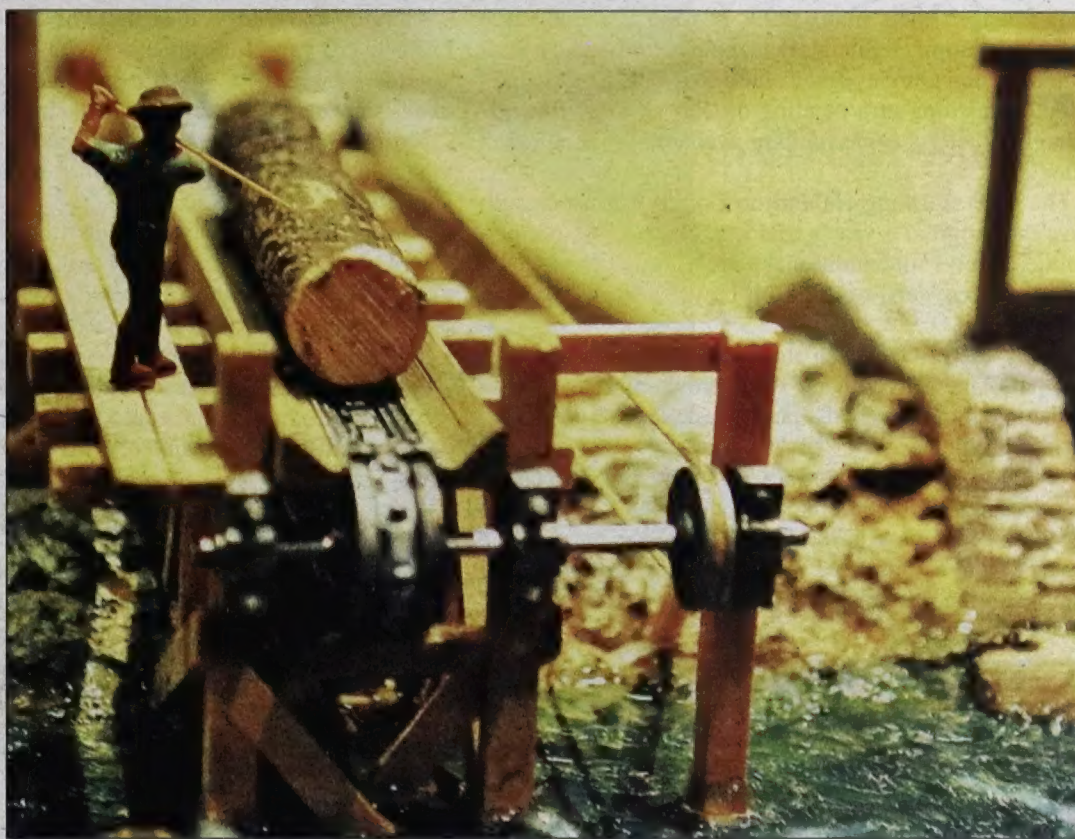
"I want to go for a swim," Goreski recalls hearing Hansen say as he and others were relaxed around the pool. "He came swimming across the pool and a couple [of people] asked him 'How's the water?' and he answered 'It's fantastic.'"

A short time later friends noticed he wasn't swimming like he had been.

"Linda MacDonald had actually given him a little tap on the shoulder because he didn't seem to be right," said Goreski.

That's when friends jumped into the

see DEFIBRILLATOR page 12



Chad Ingram/TIMES

A model life in 1895

A model of the Gilmour Tramway was constructed by Paul Crosby and Bev Easton, who have done work for national museums in Ottawa, and unveiled at the Dorset museum on Saturday. The model includes miniature workers, some tending logs, others chopping wood and some merrymaking around a bonfire. More details on page 24.

Airport undergoes full assessment

by CHAD INGRAM
 Times Staff

The public will have a chance to express what criteria it would like to see included in an environmental assessment for the Stanhope Airport expansion project.

Infrastructure Canada will be hosting a public information session concerning the assessment at the Stanhope Firefighters Community Centre on July 23 from 7 to 9 p.m.

The meeting comes after the authority responsible for overseeing the project received a signifi-

cant number of letters and emails from concerned citizens regarding the controversial expansion, which is to include the construction of a 1,220-metre crosswind runway.

"We're thrilled, absolutely thrilled," Paul MacInnes, president of the Maple, Beech and Cameron Lake Area Property Owners' Association (MBC) said earlier this week. "We've been working long and hard, seven days a week on this thing."

While Industry Canada had initially been the

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Minden Hills puts extra police on patrol

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

Minden Hills residents may notice some extra police officers on the community's streets after the township's councillors decided to join the OPP's enhanced policing program last week.

Councillors had voted against partaking in the program at a June 25 meeting, citing a lack of funding. However, they changed their minds after hearing a presentation from Haliburton Highlands detachment commander Staff Sgt. Malcolm Quigley and Central Regional Commander Mike Armstrong at a meeting on July 9, and after discovering there is some funding available for the project after all.

The OPP is asking Haliburton County's townships to give the program a year's trial run. For \$2,500, municipalities receive four additional patrols, which can include officers in cruisers, on foot, on bicycles or ATVs or in boats.

Lately there have been incidents of theft, vandalism and harassment in Minden's downtown and Armstrong told councillors that in the past, Muskoka had dealt with similar problems.

"We've faced similar issues," he said, but added that since Muskoka adopted the program around 2000, there has been a decrease in this type of activity and said the district's politicians have found the program so helpful that it continues to this day.

"It appears to be a nice program and I like it, but the only problem I have is the money aspect," Councillor Rick Ratcliff told the officers, asking if it was possible for the province to come up with some additional funding to provide extra policing.

Ratcliff was told that this was not a possibility.

Councillor Barb Reid wanted to know how many of the detachment's officers were currently dedicating their time to carrying out patrols.

Quigley told Reid that 21 to 22 of the detachment's 29 officers carry out full-time patrols.

Others, he said, are specifically dedicated to the detachment's crime unit. One of the detachment's officers is a full-time liaison with the public and the media and two others are restricted to office work because of medical conditions, Ouigley said.

The staff sergeant also provided councillors with records of officers' hours and what they spent those hours doing, saying he wanted to provide "a snapshot of workload demands that have grown and continue to grow."

Quigley noted that Haliburton County's increasing population means increased call volumes for its police officers and said that increased 911 availability throughout the area has also resulted in an increased number of calls.

"Just because you're not seeing them, doesn't mean they're not tied up," he said.

Councillor Lisa Schell wished councilors had been provided with that information at the previous meeting and suggested proceeding with the program immediately.

While the township's chief administrative officer, Gerry Morrison, had told councillors at the June meeting that

there was no money available due to the township's tight budget for 2009, Morrison said last week that there was a reserve account for policing in the township's books that had been set aside at the time of amalgamation.

Reeve Jim McMahon said the reserve, of nearly \$22,000, was from "the Lutterworth days."

Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch had voted against the program initially since she believed there was no money to fund it, but with the realization there were funds available, said the project had her full support.

"There are things happening downtown that shouldn't be happening downtown," Murdoch said.

Reeve Jim McMahon wanted to know how much control council would have over where and when the additional patrols are conducted.

Armstrong said that the township should give a list of priorities to Quigley, but that the ultimate decision of where and when the extra patrols would be conducted should be left up the staff sergeant since he may be privy to information about activities in town that councillors are not.

"That's what we did in Muskoka and it worked well," he said.

Councillor Peter Oyler, who was absent from the June meeting, said while he supported the program, he was convinced and concerned that it would end up becoming a line item in the township's yearly budget, likely at an ever-increasing price.

Oyler said it was yet another example of the down-loading of costs the province is expecting townships to cover.

"It's not a slam at the OPP, it's a slam at provincial funding," he said.

The program has been such a success in the City of Kawartha Lakes that it now budgets \$50,000 a year for enhanced policing.

Councillor voted unanimously to partake in the test run.

Councillor Bill Obee was absent.

Both Algonquin Highlands and Dysart townships have already adopted the program and it is expected Highlands East councillors will discuss the matter later this month.

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The TLDSB Audit Committee currently meets three or four times during the fall audit process.

Expressions of interest must be received no later than July 31, 2009 at 4 p.m. to:

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Minden teen joins Canada World Youth

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

A Minden teenager is off to explore new places and meet new people as a member of Canada World Youth.

Beginning in September, Adriana Ellis will spend three months in Manitoba and then three months in Kenya doing environmental work with the organization, which offers international education programs for young people aged 17 to 24.

Having just graduated from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, Adriana says she is a little unsure of what to do with her future and said she thinks the program could help her get a better handle on where she wants to go in life.

"I wanted to travel but at the same time I didn't know what I wanted to do as far as post-secondary [education]," says the 17-year-old, who is working at Minden Coin Wash for the summer. "I didn't want to do a victory lap at the high school."

Since the Ontario government scrapped the Ontario Academic Credit program five years ago, many graduating high school students choose to do an extra year of credits, or a "victory lap" at the secondary level being moving on to pursue post-secondary education.

Adriana says it was actually an ad for Canada World Youth in the *Minden Times* that made her decide to apply to the program.

After filling out an online survey explaining why she wanted to be involved, Adriana took part in an online seminar.

Shortly after she was informed that had been chosen as one of 18 youth from Canada and Kenya who will take part in the six-month program.



Chad Ingram/TIMES

Adrianna Ellis is raising funds for her half-year with Canada World Youth. The Minden teen will start her adventure in Manitoba and then move to Kenya.

"I'm both really excited and really nervous," Adriana says, explaining that she has no idea who she will be living with.

Nine Kenyans will join up with nine Canadians in Manitoba from September through December and then the team will head to Africa until March of next year. Each participant will be sharing a room with a counterpart from the other country.

"I'm really excited because it's a life-changing opportunity," Adriana says.

While she has travelled abroad before, it was to Germany with her parents when she was quite

young and Adriana is unsure of just what awaits her in Kenya.

"I have no idea what to expect," she says, but adds that she is sure the country is more diverse and complex than the images of Africa that are often presented in Western media.

"Africa's not just poor," she says. "That's what we see all the time."

However, Adriana says she is prepared to witness people in living conditions that are much different than what she's used to.

"I'm expecting to see intense poverty," she says.

As far as what exactly the

work will entail, Adriana expects it will involve tree-planting and gardening, but says she hasn't been informed yet of what sort of tasks the group will get up to.

When she is finished, Adriana says she thinks she might like to apply to a police foundations course but for now is content to open the door to opportunity.

Before she can depart on her journey, Adriana must raise \$2,500 to cover a portion of the costs she will incur during her six-month excursion.

To help Adriana on her journey, call her at 286-2798 or email adrianna.ellis@hotmail.com.

Pedal your praise for Minden in 150km bike ride

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The county's cyclists are invited to help celebrate Minden's sesquicentennial anniversary by participating in the Minden 150 Bike Tour.

The tour, which will include three different routes, will take place on August 15 as part of Minden's homecoming week.

"It would seem logical that if you have a 150 bike ride you would ride 150 kilometres," says organizer Penny Obee.

However, Obee said organizers realized that this distance might be a bit far for some, or even most, cyclists.

So there will be three different routes - a 150-kilometre route, a 70-kilometre route and a 30-kilometre route - for cyclist to choose from.

"It's not a race," Obee stressed, explaining that cyclists are welcome to go at their own pace.

All of the rides will begin and end at the Minden fairground. The 150-kilometre ride will start at 8 a.m., the 70-kilometre ride at 9 a.m. and the 30-kilometre ride at 10 a.m.

Entry fees are \$50 for adults, \$25 for those six to 12 and those under six are invited to participate for free.

There will be musical entertainment and refreshments following the rides and all early registrants will receive a T-shirt.

Obee said organizers are hoping to make the event an annual one.

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Youth Night - Battle of the Bands, Minden Hills Community Centre-
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Minden's Sesquicentennial book launch, Minden Museum-1 p.m.
Historical Portrait Studio - Photo in old clothes \$10/photo, Minden Museum
Saturday, Aug 8
Homecoming breakfast, Minden Hills Community Centre-8 a.m.-10 a.m.
Displays of the History of Minden-Minden Curling Club Aug. 8-15 - 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Official Homecoming Welcome-Minden Curling Club 10 a.m.
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Homecoming Dance, Minden Hills Community Centre-7 p.m.

Sunday, Aug 9
All Church picnic-Base Ball Diamond behind Minden Hills Community Centre-1:00 p.m.
Haliburton County Horseman's Association Gymkhana-Minden Fair Grounds-9:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Aug 11
Show & Shine Car Show, downtown Minden - 6 p.m. - Dusk
Wednesday, Aug 12
Truck Sale-Downtown Minden-8 a.m.-1 p.m. - \$10 per vehicle-sign up
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Irene Heaven is a local wildlife biologist who runs the company Out to Learn, which specializes in providing outdoor educational programs for children that focus on environmentalism and the importance of appreciating nature. Heaven will host Naturally Kids Discovery Day Camp at the Kinark Outdoor Centre from July 20 to 24 and Junior Naturalist Camp at the Minden Hills Museum from July 27 to 31 and at Haliburton's Glebe Park from August 10 to 14.

/Photo by Chad Ingram

'Discover nature, discover yourself'

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

For the third year in a row, the Out to Learn nature education company will be offering programs that allow children in Haliburton County a chance to get better acquainted with the natural world around them.

The programs are run by Horseshoe Lake resident Irene Heaven, a wildlife biologist who has been running educational programs for the past decade or so.

"We like to say, 'Discover nature, discover yourself,'" Heaven says, explaining why she thinks it's so important for children to learn about their natural environment.

Naturally Kids Discovery Day Camp will run at the Kinark Outdoor Centre from July 20 through 24 and will include nature-themed games and crafts as well as some

exploration.

The day camp is for children aged seven to 12 and runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

"It's a really great way to introduce them to and get them to continue to be interested in nature," Heaven says.

A second program, the Junior Naturalist Camp, will run at the Minden Hills Museum from July 27 to 31 and at Glebe Park in Haliburton from August 10 to 14.

The camp will run from 10 a.m. to noon each day.

Heaven is also involved in the Haliburton Highlands Stewardship Council's Stewardship Discovery Days, which take place each Wednesday throughout July and August.

For more information or to register, visit www.outtolearn.ca.

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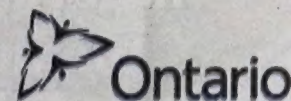
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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Your voices have been heard

THANKFULLY, Infrastructure Canada has decided to hold an information session next week regarding the Stanhope Airport expansion project.

The federal government's decision to hold such event, where residents will be taken through the environmental assessment process as well as be given an opportunity to express what aspects they believe the assessment should include, is an incredibly important progression in the ongoing saga of the expansion project and a positive sign that the expansion will likely not proceed, or at least not without having proper research conducted first.

The very fact that the event is taking place is reassuring proof that the voices of agitated municipal taxpayers are being heard by our most senior level of government. Of the hundreds of projects across the county being funded by the Building Canada Fund, the Stanhope Airport expansion project is the only one for which Infrastructure Canada is holding this type of event.

Both Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison and Maple, Beech and Cameron Lake Areas Property Owners' Association president Paul MacInnes have said they are certain the event is being held as a direct result of the pressure being put on the government through letters and emails from the residents of Algonquin Highlands.

Congratulations to all those who have sent correspondence to any facet of the federal or provincial government regarding the project; your efforts have clearly paid off.

In all likelihood, the event also means that a full environmental assessment will be required at the airport site before the expansion can proceed.

A thorough survey of the property's species at risk, a detailed storm water management plan and the effects of the proposed runway on surrounding properties should all be carefully taken into consideration in the assessment.

A senior government official who will be hosting next week's event said this process could take from several months to years.

That, in all likelihood, means the project will not get off the ground before the 2010 municipal election, which, in all likelihood, means that a new council will quash the construction of a second runway at the airport.

The meeting is being held at the Stanhope Firefighters Community Centre on North Shore Road from 7 to 9 p.m. on June 23.

The little museum that could

Anyone with an interest in local history should make their way to the Dorset Museum to see the recently unveiled model of the Gilmour Tramway, which carried logs out of Lake Bays from 1895 to 1897.

The model, exquisite in its detail, is nothing short of a work of art.

Chad Ingram

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Moose poop

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TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write



Unwanted cottage visitor

To the Editor:

We have a cottage-soon-to-be home on Kushog Lake. On Friday night we were sitting in our screened porch around 10:30 p.m. when we heard a large crashing noise. We thought something may have fallen in the house.

We got up to check things out and my

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IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Lesson learned

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husband saw a shadow through the dining room window. I went into the spare bedroom to turn on the porch light and was shocked to find the screen door pushed in, bent and pretty much destroyed. I looked up just as my husband was saying "There is a bear out there."

Sure enough there he was. The bear looked back at me as he walked off the deck. We couldn't believe it. We've been on the lake 17 years and never had a bear try to get into the house, especially a bedroom, since there is no food or anything of interest stored in the room. As a matter of fact it isn't even a finished room.

Friday night was warm so I had opened the sliding door and just left the screen closed. We assume the bear didn't see the screen and tried to walk in. What is disturbing is that he would have heard us in the screened porch (along with our golden retriever) at the opposite end of the deck.

Needless to say we now need to buy a new screen door, but it could have been a lot worse. Lesson learned - don't leave doors open at night!

Lee Dupuis
Kushog Lake

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Rest easy

I'M HAPPY TO SAY that we can all relax now. That's because Louisiana police got finally apprehended the "Duck Call Bandit" before this major crime spree got out of hand.

Okay, it wasn't exactly a spree yet, but that's only because the police did their job and nipped it in the bud. Anyone can see it was evolving into a full-scale spree; the man had already stolen two duck calls from the same vehicle.

As the owner of several duck calls, I am indebted to the police officer who broke this case. It wasn't easy waiting and wondering if my duck calls were next.

Of course, this probably should be of concern even to those of you who do not own a duck call. After all, stealing duck calls is a gateway to more serious crimes, such as stealing goose calls.

I'm not sure what the penalty is for a first-time duck call thief in Louisiana but I bet it's fairly stiff. After all, people take their

duck hunting seriously in that state.

Sadly, he'll probably get out in 10 years or so, with good behaviour. This leads to some troubling questions. For instance, who's going to hire a man who was convicted of duck call theft? And is he just going to get a university-level education in duck call theft while in the pen?

Besides, you have to wonder what drives a man

to such desperate measures? What causes him to think it's okay to inflict such a heinous act on his fellow man? Has it come to the point where we now have to hide our duck calls?

No doubt, the perp knew that in Louisiana duck calls are prac-

tically legal tender. And, if these were hand-turned cocobolo calls with adjustable double-reeds...

well, I don't think I have to explain how it might soon be on the next container to some foreign offshore marsh.

If I seem a bit too passionate about this, it's only because I too have suffered the devastating loss of a duck call. The year

was 1999 and it was a P.S. Olt. It's tone left a bit

to be desired and it clogged up in the cold weather, but it was my duck call and I loved it.

I practised with it, in the house, day in and day out. My wife and I were newlyweds at the time and she had been raised in a less

sophisticated family that never practiced duck calling, so, as you can well imagine, she cherished every minute of it. Knowing this, I serenaded her with feeding chuckles and comeback calls from early in the morning to late at night. Sometimes, this romantic gesture actually brought her to tears.

But then one day, when I went to town to buy a few groceries, the criminals struck. Carol says several masked men carrying a wide variety of firearms broke in and took the duck call. Make no mistake, these men were pros. They ignored cash, jewelry, electronics, and art we had on hand and focused solely on the duck call.

Like that more recent crime in Louisiana, this too was probably drug-related. I believe they said that guy was a quack head.

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BEYOND35
Steve Galea

Rising tide sinks most boats

IN THE DEMOCRACY we pretend to have in this country, the object of good government ought to be the greatest good for the greatest number of our citizens.

The political quarrel over one element of the climate-change legislation now being debated in Washington underlines the distance we have travelled from that ideal.

Both right and left seem to agree that the cost of the legislation, the cost of limiting carbon emissions, would put the United States at a disadvantage in a global economy.

The solution to this, for those American politicians who believe there is such a thing as climate change, is to impose trade barriers to level the trading field.

What most American politicians believe is what we all must believe. Ottawa is waiting to find out what Washington decides so that our Prime Minister can announce, "Me too."

So tariffs it will be. So much for free trade, free markets and all of the other high tides that

were supposed to float all boats and have instead been sinking most of them for a generation and more.

It is not by accident that we have stopped teaching history in this country. A little more history would be dangerous - we might start questioning whether a free market has been making our lives better.

They might remember when tariffs were used by governments to

protect the lives of the people who elected them. Tariffs protected a world in which working people could expect to have a decent life.

Advocates of the market place said free trade - globalization - would make our lives even better. History has proven them wrong, had proven them wrong even before our economic world

began to fall apart.

Time was, a couple of generations back, when there almost seemed to be an overlap between the working and the middle class.

A steelworker head of a single-income family might expect his life to include a house in the suburbs, a new car every two years, a summer cottage

and a winter week in Florida, an affordable education for his

children, a strong social safety net and a generous pension.

The good times of our past are always viewed through rose-coloured glasses and it may be that life wasn't quite that easy and couldn't have survived in a changing world in any case.

That's all speculation. What is certain is that the grandchildren of that steelworker have lost

most of his gains. Even before our economy collapsed, it took at least two incomes, often from an array of part-time jobs, to keep a family afloat.

The house, the car, the cottage, university, a comfortable retirement seemed more and more like an elusive dream. The free market hasn't improved the lot of ordinary people.

Twenty years ago, my generation began to understand that their children were unlikely to have lives as good as ours. We often talked about it and we were right.

For a couple of generations, we have been told that the state must not interfere with the marketplace. If jobs flee, wages crumble and folks wind up sleeping under bridges, why, that is just the cost of making the rest of us richer. Make that, a few of us richer.

A good life for ordinary people and a cleaner environment both are worthy social objectives. The elites who rule us evidently see no contradiction in protecting one and not the other.

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BACK OF BEYOND
Neil Campbell



Chad Ingram/TIMES

Bathing made easy

The Minden Health Care Auxiliary recently donated funds that allowed Haliburton Highlands Health Services to purchase two new high-tech bathtubs for its Minden facility. From left to right are HHHS CEO Paul Rosebush, nurses Danielle Filyer and Darcy Burke, auxiliary president Susan Ungar, vice-president Chris Wilde, auxiliary member Donna Monk and HHHS director of care, Kathy Burt.

"Where the ages meet"

7th annual Stanhope Heritage Day

Saturday, July 18 9 am - 2 pm
At the Museum Grounds on North Shore Road

Watch, Touch, See and Do:

Local folks demonstrate Maple Syrup Making, Rush Weaving, Soap Making, Looming, **Rope Making**, Bobbin Lace Making, Carving, Bookbinding, Basketry, Spinning, Weaving, **Dye Making**, Rug hooking ... and more!

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Bring a lawn chair and enjoy great music throughout the day.

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- Easy/Moderate, some highway
- BYO Bike; helmets mandatory
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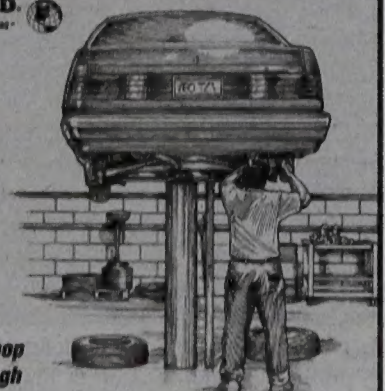
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The Haliburton County Development Corporation invites creative thinkers to examine ways that the private, public and not-for-profit sectors can use innovation to create new wealth and enhance the quality of life in Haliburton County.

Everyone is welcome but space is limited.
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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT - NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In the matter of Section 45 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended and in the matter of Zoning By-law No. 06-10 as amended.

File No. MV A23/2009, Part Lot 21, Concession 7, Township of Lutterworth, GULL LAKE.

Applicant: John McNAMEE

Purpose: The applicant is proposing to demolish an existing legal non-complying dwelling unit that is constructed within 15m of the normal high water mark, and replace it with one that is larger, higher and farther back from the normal high water mark but still closer than permitted. The following variances are requested for property in the Shoreline Residential (SR) Zone:

1. From Section 4.7.4 ii) - to reduce the required yard between the high water mark and the nearest part of the building
2. From Section 4.7.4 v) - 77.7% to increase the coverage of the legally non-complying building or structure by more than 25%.

File No. MV A24/2009, Part Lot 2, Concession A, Township of Anson, Anson St., Gull River.

Applicant: Mary A. COX

Purpose: The applicant is proposing to construct a carport with a covered walkway to an existing legal non-complying residence. The residence is constructed closer to the high water mark than permitted. The following variances are requested for property in the Residential Type One (R1) and Floodway (FW) Zone:

1. From Section 4.7.4 ii) - 3.65m (12') to reduce the required yard between the high water mark and the nearest part of the building
2. From Section 4.7.4 v) - 40.5% to increase the coverage of the legally non-complying building or structure by more than 25%

File No. MV A25/2009, Part Lot 22, Concession 8, Township of Lutterworth, GULL LAKE.

Applicant: Geoffrey LEE

Purpose: The applicant is proposing to raise an existing legal non-complying dwelling unit and install a full foundation. The building is constructed within 15m of the normal high water mark and the following variance is requested for property in the Shoreline Residential (SR) Zone:

1. From Section 4.7.4 v) - 2.74m (9') to reduce the required yard between the high water mark and the nearest part of the building.

File No. MV A26/2009, Part of Lot 4, Concession 14, Township of Lutterworth GULL RIVER

Applicant: Francesco PUCCIANO

Purpose: The applicant is proposing to construct an addition to an existing legal non-complying dwelling unit. The property is zoned Shoreline Residential (SR) Flood Risk (FR) (272.22) Floodway (FW). The following variances are requested:

1. From Section 4.7.4 ii) - 1.45m (4'9") to reduce the yard between a side lot line and the existing building
1. From Section 4.7.4 iii) - 2.7m (8'11") to increase the height of the building or structure by more than 1.2m
2. From Section 4.7.4 v) - 7.43% to increase the coverage of the legally non-complying building by more than 25%

HEARING DATE: Monday, July 27, 2009

TIME: 1:30 p.m.

PLACE AND ADDRESS: Municipal Council Chambers
7 Milne Street,
Minden, Ontario.

ANY PERSON may attend the public hearing and/or make written comments to the Township of Minden Hills either in support of, or in opposition to the proposed minor variance.

NOTICE OF DECISION - A copy of the decision of the Committee will be sent to the applicant and to each person who appeared in person or by counsel at the public hearing and who has filed with the secretary-treasurer, a written request for notice of the decision.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding this application will be available for public inspection at the Building and Planning Department for the Township of Minden Hills, (formerly the Township of Lutterworth Municipal Office), Highway 35, Minden, Ontario.

Dated this 15th day of July, 2009.

(Ms) Elinor Kernohan, AMCT, CMM, ACST
Secretary-Treasurer
Committee of Adjustment

MEETINGS & EVENTS

- July 17 Taxes Due
July 23 Public Forum about how people relate to art today.
Minden Council Chambers 6 pm
July 24 & 25 Flower Show Minden Community Centre
July 28 & 29 Rotary Summer Festival Municipal Parking Lot
July 30 Council, Council Chambers 9 AM
July 31 Highland Yard
August 7-15 Homecoming Week
August 11 Classic Car Show'n Shine Downtown Minden 6 pm
August 20 Finance Committee Meeting - Council Chambers 1:30 PM
August 27 Council, Council Chambers 9 AM



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Until August 29, Minden Hills Museum
Memories of Minden - photo exhibition

Until August 29

Relate'09 - Exhibition at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery

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Panel of artists from the relate'09 exhibition and three 'non-artists' will discuss questions with audience input.

July 29, 1:30-4:30 pm

Sssstupidous Snakes - Discovery Days Workshop

R.D. Lawrence Place/Cultural Centre

July 31, 2 - 4 p.m.

Slow Death By Rubber Duck - Presentation by Rick Smith

R.D. Lawrence Place/Cultural Centre

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REQUEST FOR QUOTES

CLOSING: 12:00 NOON, WEDNESDAY, July 22, 2009

This RFQ will secure quotations to complete the installation of the Quonset hut at the Minden Arena.

Full details are available from the Township website or by sending an email request to rcox@mindenhills.ca

All Quotes are to be returned to the Township of Minden Hills, using the specifications documents provided by the Township and in a sealed envelope, to the attention of Rick Cox, Director of Community Services, clearly marked "Quonset Hut Completion" no later than Wednesday, July 22, 2009 at 12:00 noon.

LOWEST OR ANY TENDER NOT NECESSARILY ACCEPTED

Quotes will be opened at 4:00pm on Wednesday, July 22, 2009 at the Township Administration Office, Second Floor, 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario



SESQUICENTENNIAL HOME COMING WELCOME

Display your history connection with Minden at the Home Coming Welcome on Saturday, August 8th from 9:00 am - 12 noon at the Minden Curling Club.
Contact Lynda Litwin to book your display booth
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 34(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001 S.O. 2001c.25, that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on Thursday, July 30, 2009 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., by-laws to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:

1. File No. 08-22

Applicant - **Anne and George ENGLAND**

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Big Bob Lake, lying in front of Lot 8, Concession 1, geographic Township of Anson, designated as Part 5 on a Plan of Survey 19R-8799, registered June 9, 2008.

The above noted plans of survey are available for inspection in the Planning Department for the Township of Minden Hills during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-laws at the meeting to be held at the time and place above-mentioned, the Council shall then and there, hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws and who applies to be heard.

DATED AT THE Township of Minden Hills, this 6th day of July, 2009.

(Ms) Elinor Kernohan, AMCT, CMM, ACST
Planning Administrator

DETAILED INFORMATION ON TENDERS FOR:

Repairs to Sunnybrook Bridge
Roofing Replacement for the Minden Works Garage
St. Germaine St. Reconstruction
See Page 20
Or visit www.mindenhills.ca

Join Us August 7-15

Minden 150th Homecoming Week

August 7

Youth Night - Battle of the Bands, Minden Hills Community Centre- 7 p.m.-9:30 p.m. info call 286-1936

Minden's Sesquicentennial book launch, Minden Museum—1 p.m.
Historical Portrait Studio - Photo in old clothes \$10/photo, Minden Museum

Saturday, Aug 8

Homecoming breakfast, Minden Hills Community Centre—8 a.m.-10 a.m.
Displays of the History of Minden—Minden Curling Club 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Official Homecoming Welcome—Minden Curling Club 10 a.m.
Amazing Race—starting at the Minden Curling Club-12 noon-5 p.m.

Call 286-1936 to register—\$10 per team

Homecoming Dance, Minden Hills Community Centre—7 p.m.

Sunday, Aug 9

All Church picnic—Base Ball Diamond behind Minden Hills Community Centre—1:00 p.m.
Haliburton County Horseman's Association Gymkhana—Minden Fair Grounds—9:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Aug 11

Show & Shine Car Show, downtown Minden

Wednesday, Aug 12

Truck Sale—Downtown Minden—8 a.m.-1 p.m. \$10 per vehicle-sign up at the Dominion Hotel
Float Your Hull Down the Gull, Gull River—Rotary Park—Racers start at 1 p.m.

floaters start at 1:30 p.m.

Call Minden Times 286-1288 to register \$5 for racers—floaters are free

Thursday, Aug 13

Street Sale and Party and Dance, downtown Minden—9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Jail Cell, Minden Hills Museum fundraiser, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. downtown Minden

Pie Throwing Fund Raiser 3 p.m.

Spoil ME Lottery draw-Buy your \$50 ticket at

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Aug 13, 14, 15, 16

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Thursday-Saturday 7:30 p.m., Sunday 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, Aug 15

Minden 150 Bike Tour, 30 km, 70 km, and 150 km Rides—
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Airport EA process could take months

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authority responsible for the project, that duty was recently shifted to the auspices of Infrastructure Canada.

All of the letters and emails that had been received by Infrastructure Canada were transferred to Infrastructure Canada and MacInnes said he had no doubt that next week's meeting had been scheduled as a direct result of pressure from the MBC, five other of the township's property owners' associations and other citizens throughout the county.

The MBC has probably been the loudest dissenter of the expansion project and has been voicing its opposition even louder since Algonquin Highlands township learned in February that it would be receiving funding for the project from the Building Canada Fund as part of the federal and provincial governments' plan to re-stimulate Ontario's economy.

The township has insisted that the environmental scan conducted by the engineers it hired to carry out the initial detail and design for the project would suffice since the planned runway is to be less than 1,500 metres long, but the MBC has insisted that a full environmental assessment must be completed at the site before work on the expansion can begin.

The MBC, which has alleged the town-

ship did not follow proper public input processes before council made the decision to proceed with the project, has retained legal counsel and has threatened to take the township to court if any construction begins on the project before it passes a complete environmental assessment.

Reeve Eleanor Harrison said she was fine with Infrastructure Canada's decision to hold next week's event.

"I think we've known for some time they were probably going to be pressured into doing something," Harrison said earlier this week.

While she said she was concerned the assessment process might take so long that the project would not be able to be completed within the given time period, Harrison said it all depends what Infrastructure Canada decides needs to be included in the assessment.

The project must be completed by February of 2011 or the federal and provincial governments will pull their funding.

Harrison admitted there is some nervousness amongst councillors, but said

that she thought next week's meeting was probably a positive progression.

"I'm not upset that this is happening if this is the step that Infrastructure Canada feels they need to take."

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ELEANOR HARRISON

Harrison also stressed that the township has always tried to operate in an environmentally friendly manner.

Jennifer Clark is a senior environmental review and approval officer with Infrastructure Canada and will conduct next week's meeting.

Clark said Infrastructure Canada decided to hold next week's event because, "we are respon-

sible to ensure that an environmental assessment is conducted for the project."

Clark said she was also aware of the considerable controversy the project has generated.

"We are very aware of all the opposition, and support, that has been voiced," she said.

The meeting will include an explanation of the environmental assessment process, but there will also be time for public input.

"There will be opportunity for dialogue,"

Clark said, but added that the meeting will focus on the issue of environmental assessment and not the political controversy surrounding the proposed expansion.

"We're there for a purpose and we are hoping to stick to that as much as possible," she said.

As far as how long the environmental assessment process might take, Clark said that would depend on how in-depth it is determined the assessment must go.

She said the environmental scan the township has conducted will be reviewed and that additional work may be required if it appears to have any shortcomings.

"It's really hard to say at this point," she said.

Clark said the entire process could take "several months to years."

While councillors voted in June to divide the project into two phases – one being the rehabilitation of the existing runway and the other being the construction of the second runway – the environmental assessment process normally views an entire project as one entity, meaning the assessment will likely have to be completed before any work can begin at the site.

"It's hard to tell whether it will affect Barry's proposal," Harrison said.

The idea to split the project in two had been the suggestion of MP Barry Devolin.

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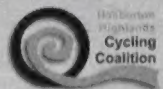
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Defibrillator gets heart going

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pool realizing something was wrong.

Getting Hansen out of the pool and immediately performing CPR were MacDonald, Winn Taylor, Iain Kay, Emerson Finn, and Dona Appleby.

"He came out of the pool with no vitals," said Goreski. "None whatsoever."

Goreski said CPR was performed five to seven minutes before EMS arrived.

A press release from Const. Mark McMaster credits the quick efforts of Hansen's friends and EMS personnel, who resuscitated Hansen with a defibrillator.

All of the friends who helped revive Hansen have some sort of medical training background and were trained in CPR.

"Without them there's no way Richard would have survived I don't think," said Goreski.

"The police officers said 'We don't get these good news stories up here when these sorts of things happen. Rarely does somebody with a heart attack come out alive.'"

Hansen was transported to Minden Hospital and is recovering at Scarborough Centenary Hospital.

On Tuesday morning Goreski was updated by Adrienne, Hansen's wife, who said he'll likely be moved out of the coronary unit today.



Siren for life

Const. Valerie Jarvis of the Haliburton Highlands OPP was happy to be donating blood for the 101st time during the Sirens for Life Blood Donor Challenge at the Minden Hills Community Centre on July 13. The event challenges police, fire and EMS personnel, as well as ordinary citizens, to give as much blood as they can to Canadian Blood Services.

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Saturday, July 10 was a fun-filled day for the residents on Lake Kashagawigamog as they headed to Halimar Resort for the annual Lake Kashagawigamog

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With the afternoon being packed with activities such as canoe racing, swimming, tug of war, bubblegum blowing contests, sand castle competitions, a nature hunt and volleyball; everyone who arrived was sure to



Stephanie Ibrahim high fives for victory after winning a game of tug of war this last Saturday.

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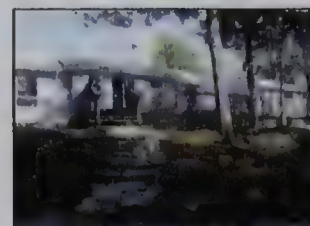
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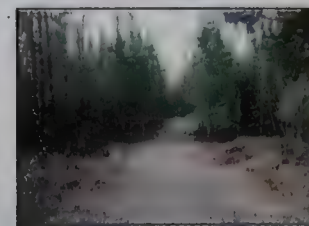
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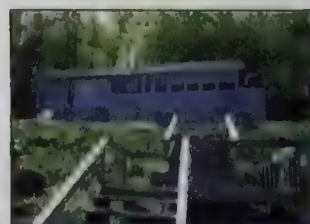
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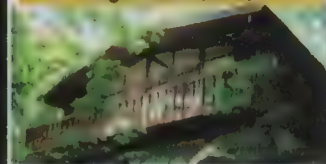
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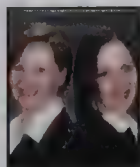
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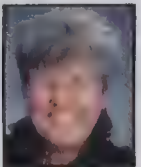
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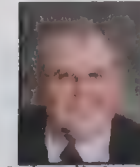
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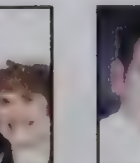
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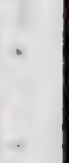
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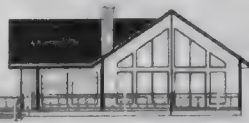
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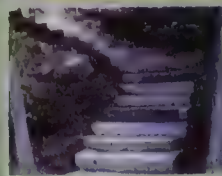
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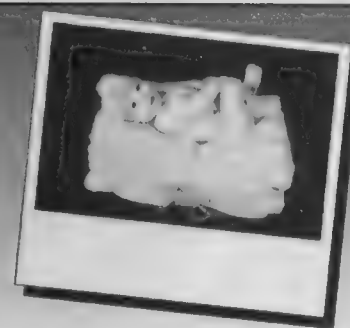
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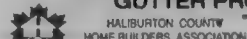
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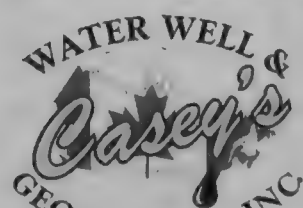
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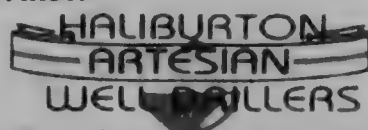
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Left: Artist Rick Nash, left, shows Peter Brogden some of the canoe models he has created.

Right: Dragonflies coach Carol Gonder gives her team last-minute advice as they prepare to hit the water.

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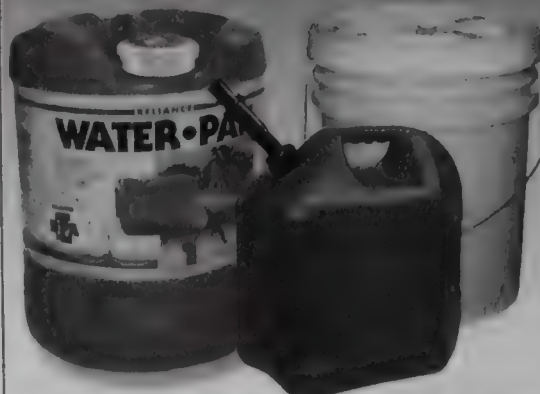


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Kinmount picks up good VIBE

AROUND THE TOWN

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Getting ready for this week's V.I.B.E. program brought back so many good memories of long ago playground and camp leadership days. Today's important attention on recycling means that my carefully cut out name tags sport cereal box ads on the flip side while the five [odourless as ordered] sardines illustrating the familiar story of the loaves and fishes flash the praises of McCormacks' salted crackers. Our fondness for nature studies has been tested recently with a Whiskas stealing chipmunk boldly taking up temporary residence indoors and a bat swooping through the living room. Now I know that bats, thankfully infrequent visitors, are nocturnal but still have difficulty remembering lights on or off to guide them along the flight path to freedom. On the other hand the Whiskas bandit is comparatively easy. I'll just empty Clarence's cat dish back into the Tupperware overnight and face his disapproval.

Wuffstock 2009 goes this Saturday, July 18 outdoors at the Minden Animal Hospital from 1 to 3 p.m. This annual event, with all proceeds going to Minden Emergency Animal Care (M.E.A.C.), includes a dog wash, car wash, twoonie draw with prize items donated from local businesses, homemade dog treats for sale and more. Here is a chance for you to show off your pet as photo entries for the 2010 M.E.A.C. Calendar Photo Contest will be accepted on that date as well. M.E.A.C. provides care and shelter to injured, abandoned animals and prepares them for adoption into loving homes. For more information give the Hospital a call at 286-2919.

The Kinmount Library, a branch of the City of Kawartha Lakes system, will be increasing its service hours effective October 13. A brief survey is underway for users to indicate their preferred day/times for the additional hours. Plan to stock up for summer reading at the monthly book sale by the Friends of the Kinmount Library on July 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and note that a busy summer schedule for children includes Sensational Snakes at 11 a.m. on July 30th. During Heritage Week, drop in for Tea Time with the Friends on Saturday, July 25 and August 1, serving from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. [488-3199].

The V.I.B.E. program for children, sponsored by Kinmount United Church, Lindsay Presbytery, opened this morning under sunny skies in Austin Sawmill

Heritage Park. It continues from 9 a.m. to 12 noon to July 17 with a special children's service at the church planned for Sunday, July 19 at 9:45 a.m. Later on this month from July 27 to 31, children ages five to 12 years are invited to attend Starlight Rescue, a daily vaca at Kinmount Baptist Church, from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Free registration is at 9 a.m. and for more information please call Susan 488-1419 or Dave 324-2034.

To kick-off Heritage Week it's Talent Night on Friday, July 24 at the Community Centre at 7:30 p.m. Advance tickets are \$5 and available from committee members or at Austin Lumber with tickets at the door \$8. While there make sure to sign the anniversary book. The next day it's Moonlight Mania from 5 to 10 p.m. complete with a community fireworks display at dusk and music by the Black Fly Boogie Band, both held over from a rainy Canada Day. Plenty of fun activities for children are scheduled and for the first time there will be a classic car display at the Railway Station. Add into the mix great food, in-store specials and a draw so at every stop have your passport stamped to enter that draw. If interested in booking a vendor table call Lynne at 488-2919. Rain date will be August 1.

Other events that week include displays at the Model Railroad and Museum on July 25 and 26 and August 1 and 2, the United Church outdoor service at 9:45 a.m. at the park pavilion with barbecue to follow. On July 26 and 27 join the Gate & Garden Tour from 1-3 p.m. at a cost of \$5 with passport pickup at the gazebo by the station. Two film festivals with admission by donation are scheduled at the community centre on July 28 from 7 to 10 p.m. and July 31 from 1 to 4 p.m. Not for the fainthearted Guy Scott will lead his ghost tour at 8:30 p.m. on July 29 to explore Kinmount by night (rain date July 30). There is no charge, just meet at the gazebo ready to go.

Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. bring your own lawn chair and enjoy Music in the Park with Washboard Hank & Co. Shop for treasures at the seniors' yard sale Saturday, August 1 at the Station then later that date dance to the Emily Creek Band from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. at the community centre. Tickets are \$10. Meet local authors and genealogists at the Station and Community Centre on Sunday, August 2 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Explore the rail line by wagon or self-guided walking then cheer on your favourite at the rubber duck race in the park at 2 p.m. with proceeds to support the Special Olympics. The busy week ends with a barbecue in the park sponsored by the Lions Club.



Chad Ingram/TIMES

Funny fisherman

No subject was too crude, no person safe, as Maritime comedian Jimmy Flynn performed for a crowd in Minden on July 11. Flynn's act included a mix of musical comedy, one-liners and of course, jokes aimed at the good folks of Newfoundland. The show, which took place at the Minden Hills Community Centre, was put on by the township.

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Annie Angus charms Fringe audience at Wintergreen

by SHERYL LOUCKS
Special to the Times

Annie Angus verged on being scandalous in Minden back in the 1920s but last Saturday night, she charmed a sold-out crowd in Wintergreen at the Minden Fringe as the star of a one-act play called *Oh Annie*.

Playwright Fay Martin found the story of this fascinating woman in the Women's Institute minutes in the Minden Hills Museum archives and discovered a bit of a mystery.

"Jack Brezina was looking for real figures of Minden's history for his sesquicentennial play *Buck's Tavern*. I wanted to include a woman's perspective and read the minutes of the W.I. from 1920-27. They were almost as interesting in what they didn't say as in what they did," says Martin.

Martin became intrigued by Angus and did some further research with the help of the Cultural Centre's collections archivist Adele Espina. She discovered that Angus had been born into a prominent family in 1856 and married quite late at the age of 26 to a British pharmacist. When her husband died she became a professional nurse to a wealthy family then returned to Minden to look after her brother's home when she was in her 60s.

"She made quite the impact here but then she vanishes. We can't find where she went or her death certificate," says Martin.

Her legacy, which Martin wrote about for *Buck's Tavern*, was bringing moving pictures to Minden. Angus had become frustrated with the amount of work the women were putting into fundraising dinners for small profits and Martin believed that as an intellectual she was starved for stimulus so she got the W.I. to show movies as a fundraisers.

"Annie jumped out at me as a woman who exemplified the frustrations of women of that time. She was forced to be restricted in public which is shown in the *Buck's Tavern* script but I wanted to show her unrestricted out of the public eye with

her 'reluctant committee' as it was called of the W.I. So I wrote the one-act play for the Fringe and it flowed out onto the page," says Martin.

Martin is one of the founders of Minden Playwrights, which produce the Minden Fringe, but until this year had never written. She says being at the playwrights workshop, working the last few years with Conjurors of County Town, which is producing *Buck's Tavern*, helped her know how to shape the story into a script for stage but her experience as a social worker is what she credits for the ability to capture the voice of Annie Angus and the other characters.

Martin says it was important to her that young women be involved in *Oh Annie* so they could learn about the radicals like Nellie McClung, whom Angus adored. Lindsey Hawley, who starred as Rose, a member of Angus's committee, says she thought the script was quite a serious look at women's issues and was fascinating to learn about but once they put it in front of the audience she was amazed at how well the audience grasped the ironies and all of the laughs.

It was a learning experience for director Emily Stonehouse, Renee Archibald and Hawley, all students fresh off the Highlands Summer Festival production of *Annie*. Kate Hall, who played Mabel in *Oh Annie* but will play Angus in *Buck's Tavern*, said it was a good opportunity to play opposite Archibald's version of Angus before taking on the role herself.

Martin credits the success of her one act play with the audience as being due to her talented cast and the fact that this true story still serves as a way to mirror ourselves and while the reflection is a slightly imagined reality it still serves to illuminate truths.

Tickets for *Buck's Tavern*, which will be held outdoors at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre between August 13 and 16, are now on sale at the centre and local outlets. Call 286-2808 for details.



From left, Fay Martin writer, Lindsey Hawley as Rose, Kate Hall as Mabel, Renee Archibald as Annie Angus and Emily Stonehouse, director delighted an audience at Wintergreen in the Minden Fringe production of *Oh Annie* last Saturday night. The cast will be reunited in this summer's production of *Buck's Tavern*, where Annie Angus makes a return appearance. The Minden Fringe continues this Saturday with performances by the Creative Cocoon members Jim Blake and Fay Wilkinson, and a new one-woman show by award winning comedian Brigitte Gall. For details call Wintergreen at 286-3202. Photo by Darren Lum.

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This Saturday, July 18, the place to be is sitting on the patio at the Rockcliffe. Mark Christiano and Craig Titus will be performing at 2 p.m. They are very entertaining whether they are playing some of their own songs or performing some old favourites. They are known as the Ya Babys and have performed in many popular spots throughout the years, so don't miss them!

Also this Saturday is Stanhope Heritage Day from 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Stanhope Museum grounds on 1123 North Shore Rd.

Highlights of this great day are:

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- Gord Kidd and the 50/50 Band will entertain from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.
- Canoe FM will show you how live radio is made with an on-site broadcast from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. featuring music, interviews and other special features.
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Coming up soon, on August 2 Ron Brown will be visiting Kinmount to showcase his book *The Train Doesn't Stop Here Anymore*. Brown will present a slideshow between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. offering a nostalgic look into the past when the railway station was more prevalent in connecting different communities.

Admission to Brown's slideshow is by donation, his book will be available for sale and autographing.

There are many other events happening in Kinmount that day between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Rod Clarke will be talking about his book *Narrow Gauge Through The Bush*, a history of the pioneering Toronto, Grey & Bruce and the Toronto and Nipissing narrow gauge railways.

There will be local authors and vendor tents along the rail bed. You can view the model railroad which is historically correct, enjoy the Special Olympics rubber duck race, stop and eat barbecued food in the Heritage Park prepared by the Kinmount & District Lions Club.

There will also be free wagon rides on the rail beds with knowledgeable guides offering site highlights en route. Check out the restorations to the Austin Sawmill. Pick up your souvenir copy of the Rail Trail to refer to as you ride the rails. Two routes offered one heading north and the other running south.

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Can you relate to this?

There's a fascinating exhibit by June Stone, Steve Hudak and Shelley Beach at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery. The goal of Relate '09 is to document the relationship between the observer and each artist's work through discussion, debate and dialogue by different methods of interaction in order to give a better understanding to the public about art, artists and their relationship with observers and public art

galleries' role in creating a relationships between artists and observers. Visitors are asked to leave Post-It notes with their impressions. In conjunction with the exhibit is a public forum about art today. It's Thursday, July 23 at 6 p.m. A series of questions will be posed to further investigate how people relate to art today. *Times* editor Martha Perkins will mediate this forum, posing the questions to a selected panel of artists and others as well as the audience. The forum will be recorded. This artwork is called *Oasis* by Steve Hudak.

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Dancing queen

Minden's Emma Lavery participated in Saturday's Highland Games in Haliburton. It was only her second competition and yet she ended the day with the trophy for Haliburton Dancer of the Year. She had a fourth-place and three second-place medals. She studies Scottish dancing with the Mansfield School of Highland Dance with Breanne Mansfield in Minden. Emma is 11 years old and will be in Grade 6 at Archie Stouffer Elementary School in the fall.

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Members of the Muskoka 35th Militia, 1866, a group of historic reenactors, gave rope-making demonstrations.

Heritage Day in Dorset

Haliburton pioneers would have used hot air machines like this one, at right, to pump water from lakes into cisterns. It, along with other 19th century devices, was set up outside the Dorset Museum on July 11.

Photos by Chad Ingram



A model of the Gilmour Tramway, which carried logs from Lake of Bays to a logging pond near Raven Lake from 1895 to 1897, was unveiled at the Dorset Museum on July 11 as part of Dorset's Heritage Day celebrations. The tram carried logs uphill for more than a kilometre.

Dogs must be specially trained to deal with geese problem



DORSET NEWS

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From our friends at the Dorset Volunteer Fire Department: "While it was rather windy on Saturday, July 4 and tough to keep the barge on track, it didn't rain and the Dorset fireworks were beautiful! Thanks to Paul Greenaway for his expertise and use of the barge; to friends and family who manned boats and boots to collect towards next year's show; to local businesses, service groups, associations and the Township of Algonquin Highlands who contribute to make it a Community Event; and last but not least to everyone who attended and supported this celebration of Canada's birthday. Have a safe and happy summer – from all of us on the Dorset Volunteer Fire Department.

In a previous column I spoke about the problem with Canada geese at the Dorset Parkette. In response to a suggestion to folks to walk their dogs in the park to discourage geese, I received an email from Gail Perrin, owner and operator of Silhouette Goose Dogs.

Gail let me know that having people walk their dogs at

the park is not likely to be highly effective in discouraging the geese. Using dogs to remedy a goose problem requires dogs that are trained to do this kind of work. Trained goose dogs know how to apply pressure to the geese in a way that makes them want to leave. They stalk them in a predatory manner, use their incredibly strong "eye" and make the geese feel unsafe. Using the "wrong dogs" does not get the job done and gives the public the impression that using dogs does not work. The dogs make a nuisance of themselves to the geese for a short time but the geese don't really feel threatened and they will come back out of the water when the dogs leave.

There are problems associated with suggesting that the public just walk their dogs in the park to solve the goose dilemma. For one thing, the average untrained pet dog does not know how to move the geese effectively. They may run around and/or bark and send the geese out into the water but then what? The geese do not leave. Another problem with trying to use pet dogs for this kind of work can be whether or not the dogs have enough self-control to not harm the geese. Some people think "My dog likes to chase squirrels/rabbits/cats... (whatever), so he'd be good at chasing the geese away" BUT, what happens if that dog chases a group of flightless goslings or adults during their molt when they cannot fly. Chances are that in the water they will

out swim the dog, but if caught on land they could be mauled or killed. Many dogs that want to chase will also do harm to any small animals they can catch. Trained goose dogs are taught not to harm the stock they work.

There are many goose control services in Canada and the US that use trained Border Collies, often in conjunction with other methods (such as oiling eggs for population control). Using trained Border Collies is one of the most effective and humane methods of discouraging nuisance geese.

Thank you Gail for this helpful information. So, feel free to walk your dogs at the Parkette but please don't let you dogs come into contact with or try to chase the geese – we'll save that job for the professionals.

The Dorset Library is once again hosting a special event every Wednesday in July and August called "Meet and Greet". Each Wednesday at 1 p.m. visit the library to hear a special guest speaker. July 15 join author Rick Gallop as he talks about his book *The G. I. Diet*.

On July 15 at the Recreation Centre, join Dorset Day Camp leaders Logan and Jenny for Dorset's first summer Family Movie Night starting at 6:30 p.m. This family friendly event will feature free popcorn and treats will be available for purchase. Admission is by donation. Give the Recreation Centre a call for the latest information at 766-9968.

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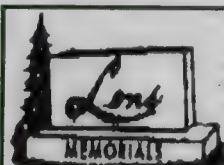
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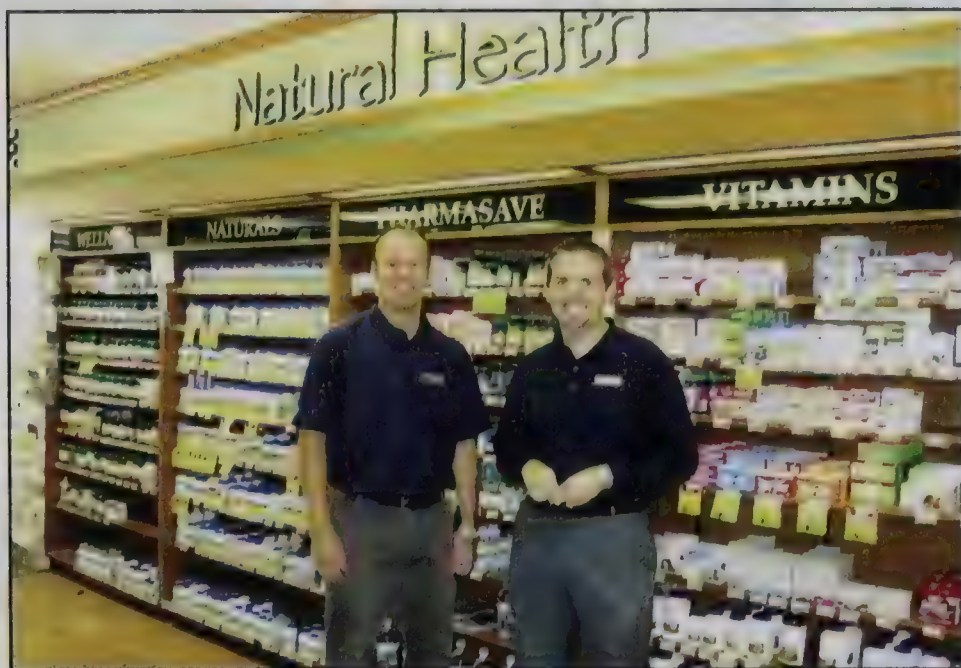
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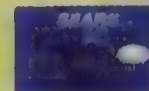
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Highlands Cinema turns 30

Feature and photos by Jenn Watt

Keith Stata has a hundred things on his mind – clean the theatres, make up the list of movies for the week, fix a broken projector – there is hardly time for an interview with a local reporter in the middle of the afternoon on a Wednesday.

"You have 20 minutes," he says, exhales a tired sigh and checks his watch.

"The secret to this business: I don't have a life," Stata laughs, perhaps anticipating the first question.

He settles deep into a padded armchair in the nerve centre of his five-theatre cinema – a small green room with 19 TVs monitoring everything in the vast maze-like building – and asks, "So, what do you want to know?"

He then rattles off his family history at warp-speed going back to the 1870s when his ancestors first settled in the area.

"Anything else?" he giggles.

It's been 30 years since Stata started up Highlands Cinema in Kinmount – the movie theatre that has

become more renowned for its museum than the films it plays – and success is due to Stata's thousands of hours of work coupled with some smart business decisions.

Although Highlands Cinema is now well-known, perhaps even famous, its beginnings were humble – and humbling – for the local boy who dreamed of being a famous movie director.

"There was resistance at the beginning," he says of opening the cinema.

Given how popular the Beaver and Molou theatres were at the time, Stata assumed he'd have a bustling business, and was surprised to receive one visitor on opening night.

That was in 1979, long before Memory Lane, the projector museum, five theatre rooms and mannequin hall were installed, when there were just 58 seats in one room of an old two-storey house.

"That's back when we were fighting the TV-in-the-living-room image," Stata says.

Stata and his business partner, Roland Hamilton, soon learned that to attract tourists to their forested locale, they needed more than just movies; they needed an experience.

For years after opening, Stata would search out old items from the nation's past – mostly pop culture and technology – to complete Memory Lane. Every decade of the 20th century has a display case packed with toys, magazines, photographs, news clippings and gadgets of the time. Some of Stata's own childhood items are stashed amongst the treasures he's found over the years.

Besides what's in plain view, which is substantial on



Memory Lane, a museum full of pop culture and technology from the last century, has become one of the main drawing points of Highlands Cinema.

its own, he has a dozen 40-foot containers packed full of stuff.

To fund the endeavours, Stata and Hamilton would buy old cinemas going out of business, keep all of the antique projectors, seats, machines and displays and then resell the building to make a profit.

The projectors he's acquired line the hallways of the cinema.

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Kinmount theatre filled with memorabilia

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As time passed the cinema's notoriety grew and so did the building with additions being constructed nearly every year through the late '80s and early '90s.

"We got a huge amount of press and people" when the museum portion of Highlands Cinema was created, Stata says. There have been 120 articles done over the years (that Stata knows of) from most of the big Toronto dailies and smaller papers around the country.

That publicity, partnered with the best kind of advertisement – word-of-mouth, created a strong, viable business that does more business in half a day than the whole first year of operation.

His all-time best day: 1,550 guests for *Pirates of the Caribbean*. It also happened to be just one of few times he's had a technical glitch during a film. The other most notable time was on the first night of *Harry Potter*.

Despite that, Stata's still a champion of old technology – remaining faithful to his 55-year-old projector over the new digital models.

"When they go digital Highlands Cinema will close," he says, serious for the first time in the interview.

It costs \$80,000 U.S. for one digital machine, far too much for even a bustling business like his.

"With new technology at the first hiccup it's down," he says, praising his old projector that "runs like a top."

Even the old popcorn makers were better than the new models.

"Now computers run the popcorn machines. Every 10 years you have to throw them out," he says.



The owner of Highlands Cinema, Keith Stata, not only collects old memorabilia, but old projectors as well. If the film world ever went entirely digital, Stata says, it would be the end of his 30-year-old business.

Stata's life is invested in his business and even though the doors close to the public every Thanksgiving weekend, he is still buzzing around frantically getting ready for the next season. During that time he catches up on the bookwork and fixes everything that was broken over the summer. This year that was quite a lot.

"The sump pump was the first thing to quit, then the

ice machines, popcorn maker and cash registers. I'll be next," he declares.

"I wish I could get in a time machine back to last September and take another run at it," he says.

At 61 years old Stata could justify retiring in a few years, but that's not his style.

"I'll probably die with my boots on," he says.

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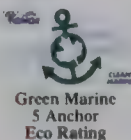
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Another half-baked idea

Awkward Moments • Column by Steve Galea • Photos by Matt James

"But I like Perkins best," Jenn Watt yelled as she slapped my face.

"No, I like her better," I countered, stomping on her instep.

"Not true," she said, poking me in the eyes, "no one likes her half as much as me!"

"Wrong," I continued, putting a finger up each of her nostrils. "I have nothing but undying admir..."

"Jenn, give Galea a sharp kick to the shins and we'll move on to the next item on the agenda!" Perkins interrupted. "Good work team!"

As staff meetings go, this one was turning out to be relatively painless. But all that was about to change.

"I baked some cookies," Perkins announced with a sinister look.

Suddenly, a black cloud blotted out the sun, birds flew off in panic, the streets outside of the office emptied, and, as far away as Wilberforce, mothers hid their children. Inside the *Cottage Times* HQ, doors were slammed and dead bolted.

"Oh, I just ate lunch," I muttered nervously. It was 9 a.m.

Watt, unsure of what to say, once again, feigned narcolepsy.

I couldn't blame her. To call Perkins's cookies edible bordered on mortal sin. Even dump bears steered clear of them.

"Someone needs to try these cookies," Perkins insisted. "I'm having company next week and I need to be able to assure them that it's safe this time."

Outside turkey vultures began to gather.

I pointed to Jenn. "She loves them," I whispered. "I'll wake her."

But as the Dark Overlord turned her back to reach for her lead-lined cookie jar, Watt bolted out the window.

"Here," Perkins said, "just eat one."

Knowing I had no choice, I said a quick prayer, closed my eyes and took a quick bite. And, you know, they were good.

"This is delicious chief," I said. "Really spectacular."

"That's because I didn't bake them," she snapped. "Barb Braker and Elinor Hamilton at the Stanhope Heritage Museum did. Bring me their recipe."

"Why don't you just ask?"

"I did, but they've seen me bake. You seriously injure one herd of horses and suddenly people are afraid of your culinary skills..."

"So, that's why the RCMP musical ride always steers clear of Haliburton County," I exclaimed.

"They have no proof!" she said, laughing maniacally. "Now bring me the recipe. Bring it to me or I'll make you eat the batch of cookies I made last night.... Every last one." And then she uncovered the plate.

"Are those chocolate chips or raisin?" I gulped.

"Neither," she smiled.

Minutes later, I phoned Watt and told



Disguised as a gingerbread man, Steve Galea tries to look inconspicuous as reporter Jenn Watt interviews Barbara Braker about her recipe for the homemade gingerbread cookies that will be decorated at this Saturday's Stanhope Heritage Day. Below, Elinor Hamilton and Barbara Braker chase Galea out of their patch.



her my dilemma.

"So you're saying that if I don't get the recipe, she's going to make me eat all those cookies?" Watt said.

"Every last one," I replied. "Lucky for you, I've decided to help out."

We quickly discussed our options and settled on a plan. Watt would go into the museum as a reporter and learn a bit more about Stanhope Heritage Days. But that would merely be a diversion while I slipped in undercover, faded into the background as unobtrusive and inconspicuous as possible, and melded in to the local culture like a phantom. Our whole plan hinged on my ability to blend in.

I stepped out of our shared basement broom closet office dressed, quite convincingly I thought, as a dead ringer for a typical Stanhopian.

"Are you sure that's the right disguise?" Watt asked doubtfully.

"Sure," I answered. "I've done some research and Elinor Hamilton bakes excellent cookies, and today she's working with Barb Braker, the wife of Walter Braker, the baker who's now in the process of making hundreds of gingerbread men for the kids to decorate at Stanhope Heritage Days. These folks have been immersed in gingerbread men all week. I

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No wonder Steve Galea doesn't have a leg to stand on when he goes back to the office to tell Parsimonious Perkins that he wasn't able to get the Stanhope museum's gingerbread man recipe - Barbara Braker ate it! Helping Jenn Watt celebrate being the one who nabbed the recipe are Barbara Braker and Elinor Hamilton.



Bite me! Gingerbread man goes under cover

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won't stand out at all - no matter how devilishly handsome - trust me. We'll coax a recipe from them."

"Really? I mean this is my life we're gambling with," she yelped.

"You know I'd trade places with you if I could," I said, patting her on the back.

As so it was that I found myself deep undercover at the Stanhope museum on Northshore Road. Of course, it takes a special kind of person to work undercover. You need to have nerves of steel. You've got to be able to think on your feet and improvise. And you should have a really neat car.

I suspect all this is why I failed miserably. Or perhaps, it could have been the gingerbread man costume.

"How are you now?" I said nonchalantly as I lumbered over towards Barb and Elinor.

"Who's the weirdo in the gingerbread man costume?" Barb muttered as they opened up a Tupperware container full of perfectly formed cookies.

"You ladies certainly have very nice cookies," I said, winking. And then I added, "How are you now?" for good effect.

The next few minutes are somewhat of a blur. I remember the white aprons, a flurry of rolling pins, and Jenn Watt cheering them on.

When I woke, I was covered in flour and one gingerbread limb was torn off at the knee. I'd tell you more but my therapist says it's better to suppress some things.

"What happened?" I asked Watt. "Where am I?"

"You're back at the office and I've got the recipe." She winked. "But just so you know. I knew that Perkins was going to make you eat the cookies all along."

I just looked at her and shrugged. What can I say? I didn't have a leg to stand on.

Want real gingerbread? The 7th Annual Stanhope Heritage Day, held on July 18, is the place to get it. The event, which runs from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the museum grounds on 1123 North Shore Road in Stanhope promises good food, great displays and lots of crafts and skills for the

family to watch, touch, do, see and buy.

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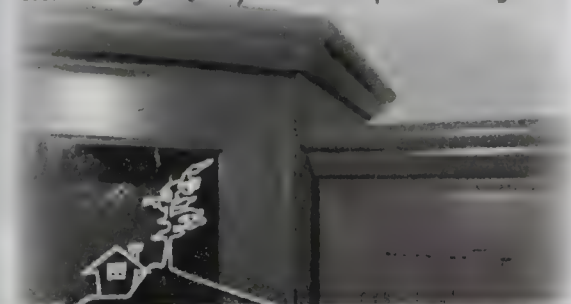
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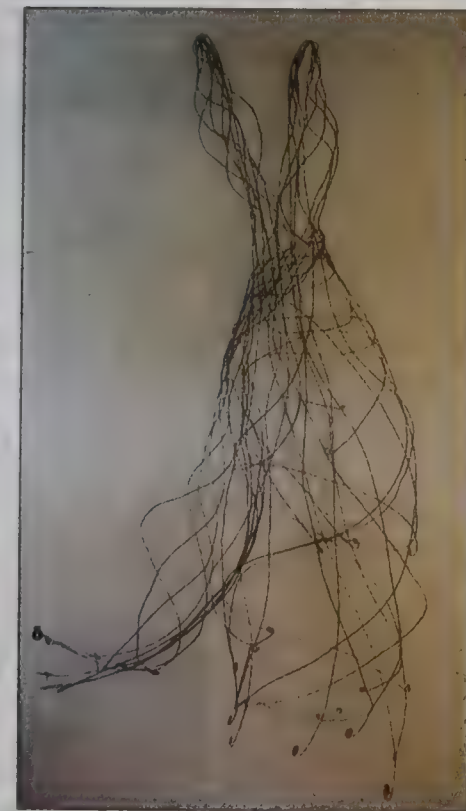
matic impact. Her pieces are hand-fabricated functional art with a raw, yet inherently elegant aesthetic. She delights in marrying the cold immovable nature of metal with the soft delicate perception of iconic feminine attire. Uniting new materials and found objects she loves incorporating relics of the forgotten, this

show will be an exploration of femininity, light and luminosity.

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Come explore vernal pools handson, discovering their role in ecosystem processes such as leaf litter decomposition and nutrient cycling, along with their importance to the larger forested landscape.

Learn how you can find vernal pools in your own backyard, and what you can do to help protect these mysterious vanishing pools.

Space is limited to 30 people, so register for this day please contact: Minden Government Information Centre at 286-1521. The cost is \$15 for adults, children \$8 and \$30 for families of four.

Look soon for information on the next Discovery Day on Invasive Species, Invaders, from a Not So Distant Planet!

The remaining Discovery Days are offered Wednesdays in July and August. The program is sponsored by the Haliburton Highlands Stewardship Council in partnership with Out to Learn. Everyone is invited to participate

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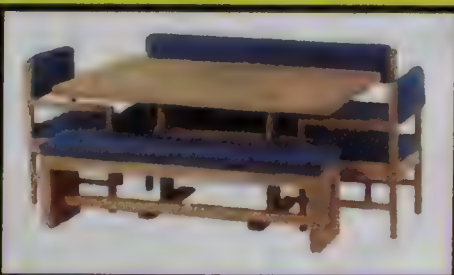
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- Alaskan Veterans Memorial - Mt. McKinley
- The Sundial - City of Guangzhou, China

As well, Pratt has sculpted many presentation works for foreign dignitaries, notably:

- HRH Prince Philip
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- Jiang Zemin, President, The People's Republic of China



Singer jazzes up arts school

Every Thursday after walk-about, the Haliburton School of the Arts is hosting a concert in the Great Hall of the Fleming College campus. The music starts at 6 p.m. On July 16 the performer is Shannon Butcher.

Butcher is quickly becoming a favourite on the Canadian jazz scene for her dynamic voice and fresh spirit. "Jazz isn't about one label or style; it's not about one person or time," says Butcher. "It's about the freedom to bring together all of your experiences; sing in the moment and connect with your audience."

Butcher's debut CD, *Words We Both Could Say*, is a fusion of styles and an open door invitation to transcend

expectations. Through her unique jazz transformations of "standards" from artists including the Beatles, Patsy Cline and No Doubt, the Toronto artist has connected with jazz aficionados and new listeners alike. *Words We Both Could Say* has reached the #2 spot on the Canadian Campus Jazz chart and broke through the Top Ten of iTunes Top Jazz Albums. Butcher has become a hit on jazz stations in Australia, the United Kingdom and the United States. www.shannonbutcher.com

Upcoming performances: July 23 Eve Goldberg; July 30 improv artist Lisa Merchant; August 5 Cass Marie and the BlackfeatherBand; August 12, clown Helen Donnelly. The art auction is August 6.

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Butterflies Are Free takes flight

Feature and photo by Martha Perkins

It's 1969. Don Baker has left the financially comfortable but socially confining upper-class suburb of Scarsdale to move into a bohemian neighbourhood in New York City. His 19-year-old neighbour, Jill Tanner, is also a newcomer to New York but she has a lot less baggage. With a light heart that masks some dark truths, she loves to quote a couple of lines from Charles Dickens's *Bleak House*: "I only ask to be free. Butterflies are free. Mankind will surely not deny to Harold Skimpole what it concedes to the butterfly."

Enter Don's mother, Mrs. Baker, with a butterfly net.

Butterflies Are Free, which opened its two-week run at the Northern Lights Pavilion on Monday, is the second production in the 2009 Highlands Summer Festival. A comedy with serious undertones, it revolves around three main characters: Don, his mother, and Jill.

"It's fun," says Lesley English, who was far from typecast as Mrs. Baker and yet recognizes some of her character's controlling characteristics in her own behaviour. "It's not a farce but it's funny, with lots of sight gags. It's touching as well. It explores universal themes that people can relate to."

When she got the role of Mrs. Baker, English asked her 27-year-old son, "Do you think I'm a controlling mother?"

She laughs at his response. "He very politely said 'no comment' but added there were many real-life situations I could draw from. He intimated that there had been moments...."

Jocelyn Regina, who's back home in Haliburton after her first year of musical theatre studies at Sheridan College, knows what it's like to be a young woman who moves to a strange city to follow a dream. But while she likes her character Jill Tanner, she and Jill are not very alike. "Jill just moves to New York. She doesn't have a job or know anyone. I think I'm a little more analytical and would try to have a few more things lined up. I think about things a lot before I act on them."

Butterflies Are Free is also about meta-



As a controlling society matron who's horrified by her son's friendship with a free-spirited actress, Lesley English, left, had to look under the surface of her own personality for *Butterflies Are Free*. Nineteen-year-old Jocelyn Regina can identify with her character even though she's much more analytical than the young woman she portrays.

morphosis, English says. "Each character has an interesting arch of where they started and how they got to [how the play ends]. It's about learning to let go. With all three characters, by the end of the play they have moved on to another stage of their lives."

Don is played by Will Lamond, a third-year Sheridan College student who was in the top 40 of CBC's *Triple Sensation*. The only character is a director of a play that Jill has auditioned for. English describes him as a "major slimeball" but has much nicer things to say about Logan Brown, a York University student who is also in the Highlands Summer Festival production of *Play On*, which opens July 27.

It's been a fun play to work on. Jocelyn, who's a veteran of the pavilion stage, has been listening to a lot of '60s music – Donovan, Joni Mitchell, the Rolling Stones and Simon and Garfunkel, music that will be played during the set changes.

Knowing that there will be people in the audience who lived through the Sixties has added a few complications for the set crew. When Mrs. Baker arrives with her bag from Saks Fifth Avenue, it can't be a bag that someone in the crew picked up last week in New York. It's got to look like a 1969 Saks Fifth Avenue bag.

"We've been jumping through hoops making things happen," English says.

Butterflies Are Free takes to the stage at the Northern Lights Pavilion (inside the high school on Head Lake in Haliburton) on July 14, 15, 16, 17, 22, 23 and 24. On July 20, musician David Archibald provides the evening's entertainment with songs that explore Canada's past and on July 21, it's *Limerick*, an evening of music, from classical to contemporary, with Melissa Stephens and Jocelyn's parents Lauren McInnes and Tom Regina. For tickets call 457-9933 or email tickets@highlandsummerfestival.on.ca.

Here is what is planned for the 2009 Highlands Summer Festival/Highlands Opera Studio season. Check out the website for more information: www.highlandsummerfestival.on.ca.

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David Archibald in Concert

Folk singer, song-writer and historian, composer of musicals, such as the 2005 HSF production of *The Perilous Pirate's Daughter*, David Archibald returns to the Highlands Summer Festival stage for a one-man show sure to delight. With songs full of humour and heart, many based on incidents from Canada's past, David's performance will weave a magical evening of musical entertainment. Two concerts: July 20, August 3.

Play on!

A hilarious story of a theatre group trying desperately to produce a play in spite of maddening interference from a haughty author who keeps revising the script. The ensemble stumbles from Act I, a rehearsal of the challenging show, to Act II, the near disastrous dress rehearsal, and then the final act, the actual opening night performance at which anything that can go wrong does. *Play On!* opens for eight performances on July 27.

Opera Excerpts Concerts

Participants in the Highlands Opera Studio present two evenings of their

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Die Fledermaus

A wild costume party, confused identities, and an opportunity to extract some revenge for an earlier embarrassment: it's a rich recipe for a great comedic operetta – the Highlands Opera Studio presents *Die Fledermaus*. Canadian Tenor Richard Margison and opera director Valerie Kuinka lead an outstanding faculty as it instructs young professional opera singers in three weeks of intensive training. Performances: August 30, a Sunday afternoon matinee, September 1 and 3.

New Algonquin Park map shows park like never before

Algonquin Park travellers have a new map source that will make park travel a whole lot easier. The new Algonquin Park Outdoor Recreation Map graphically displays the endless canoe routes, interior campsites and trail systems around the park in detail and clarity not found on any other map.

Up until a few years ago, park trippers relied on the ever popular Friends of Algonquin Park Canoe Routes map. Although very helpful, it lacked topography and was printed on paper that disintegrated on any long trips. Further it only focused on canoe routes and left out the many other special attractions of the park. Thus spawned the idea for a topographical map of the park on high quality water resistant and tear proof paper.

"The Friends Canoe Routes map is certainly a great resource, but I know from personal experience that it gets worn out quickly and lacks topographical information. So we combined topographical information on a park map that showed more than just canoe routes and made it out of a material that could really be used and abused," notes Jason Marleau, an author from the

popular Backroad Mapbook series. "Our goal was to provide a quality, long lasting product that not only shows the topography of the park, but also trails, fish species and other points of interest. It has been an instant hit," said Marleau.

The original idea for the map came a few years ago while travelling in the park. "I kept having to go back and forth from topo maps to the Canoe Routes map and then to another source. I thought there's got to be an easier way," added Marleau.

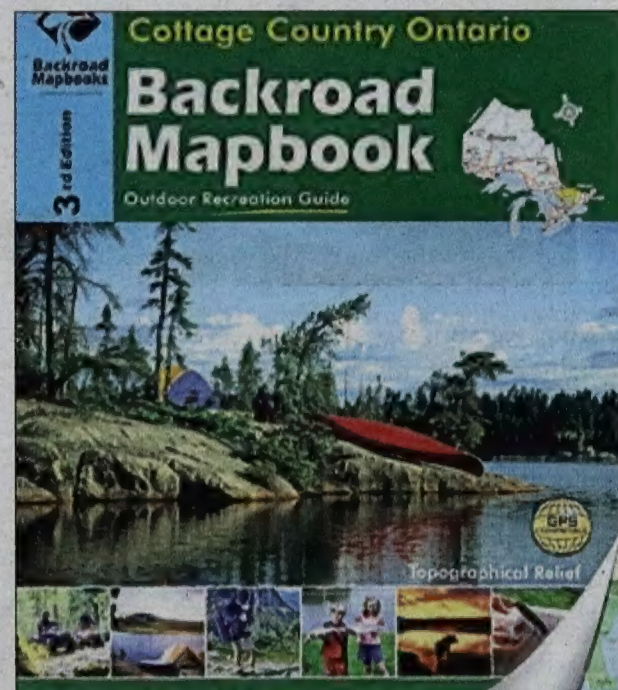
In addition to diligently updating the campsites and canoe routes, the new map has a cleaner, easier to read look and also includes fish species information. "Owning a local outfitter and spending countless hours in the park has really driven us to make this map the best it can be. It's almost a labour of love," joked Marleau.

Marleau regularly enjoys the great outdoors and is currently helping research a third edition Backroad Mapbook for Eastern Ontario. Visit www.backroadmapbooks.com for more information.

Backroad maps updated

People familiar with the old Backroad Mapbook series will notice some dramatic changes in the new Cottage Country Ontario mapbook. Not only has the book been expanded to incorporate Algonquin Park and the Near North areas, it also has new look maps and writing. Everything is more colourful and easier to read. The information is more accurate than ever and the maps now include topographical features and better road classifications.

For all its glory, Algonquin is only one piece of this phenomenal area. Visitors can take an orienteering trip deep into the Massasauga Provincial Park or fish for the unique strain of Haliburton lake trout. And canoeists looking for places a little less crowded, can try places like the Frost Centre Institute. There are trails that will keep hikers, bikers, skiers and ATVers occupied for a few hours or even a few weeks.



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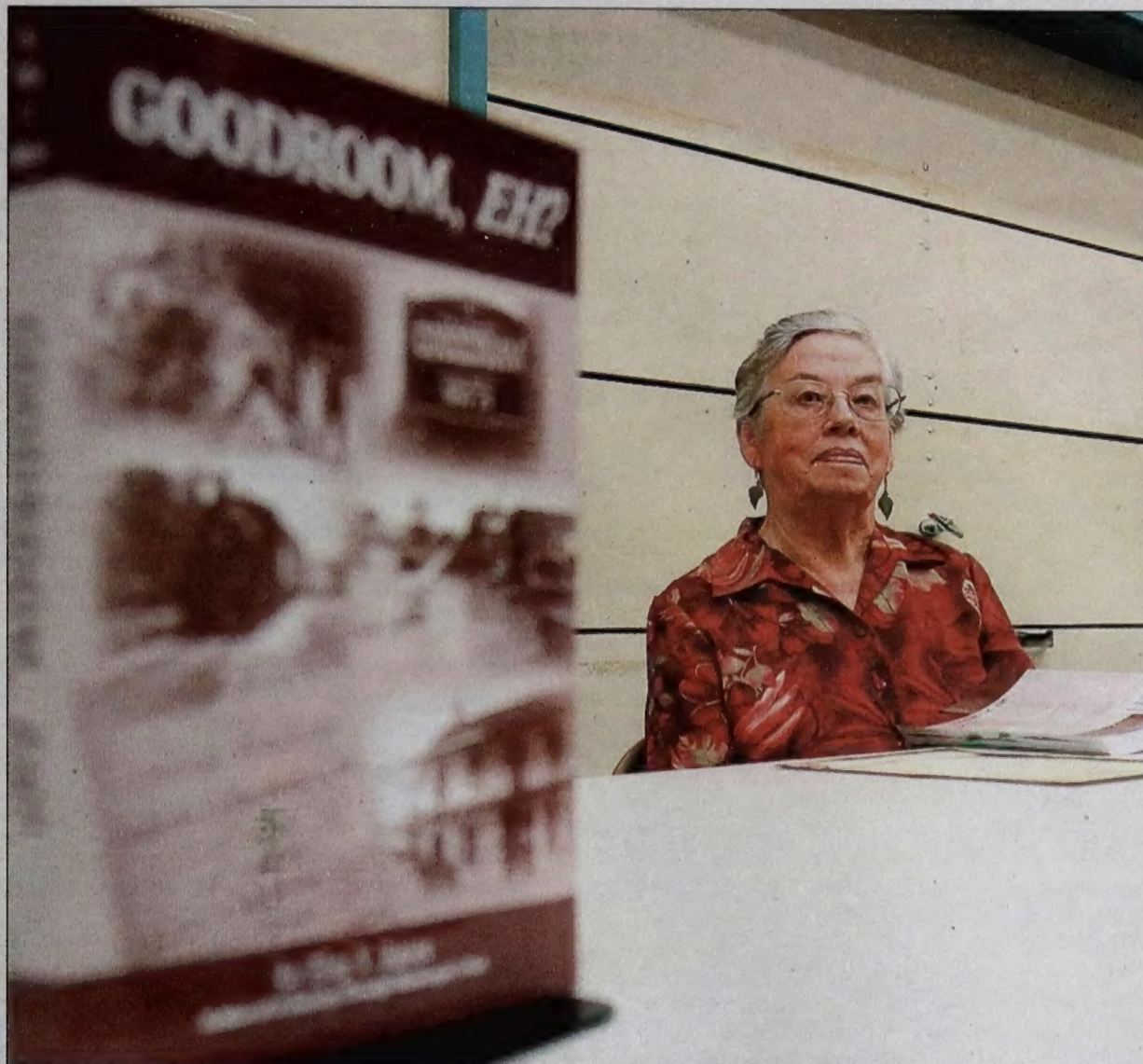


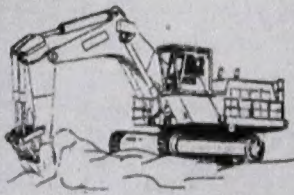
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When Elva Bates was researching her book about the township of Glamorgan's past, she heard many stories that said a lot about the area's history - too much in fact. The Gooderham author has taken those stories and fictionalized them in a new book called *Goodroom, Eh?* It chronicles the life of a young woman from England who immigrates to Canada and settles in the Gooderham area. The plot includes many of those off-the-record conversations but she's changed the characters to protect their family members still living today.

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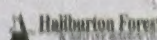
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Important things

Walking Softly • Column and photo by Steve Galea

A busy morning at my desk was more than I could stand. With looming deadlines, increasing pressures, and important things in the offing, I did the only sane thing I know. I gathered my fly rod, waders and fishing vest and drove, quick as I could, to a small creek a few minutes from our home. It's a place I visit often at times like these.

Stepping into the current, the tension was left in my wake. A few more cautious footfalls and I was immersed waist-deep in the gentle music of the flow. Water, cool and clear, tumbled over rocks and caressed aquatic vegetation that undulated like silk ribbons in a summer breeze. Ebony Jewelwings, those wondrous metallic-like damselflies, took flight and danced elegantly, tiny marionettes over the margins of the pool. Somewhere downstream and around the bend a wood duck peeped, perhaps calling to its brood.

Dark clouds lingered to the south and steady gusts kept the bugs at bay. Traffic was 200 yards behind me; its rumblings muted by the dense summer foliage. My office might as well have been on a different planet.

I noted the foam-line that bordered the edge of the fast water. The fish would be beneath it, watching that conveyor belt



Caught by an angler who had spent too much time in his office, this small-mouthed bass glistened in the afternoon sun before being released back into the water.

of food, holding near boulders or tight to the bottom, waiting in ambush, rooting for nymphs in the weeds, chasing minnows as they passed.

Important things were in the offing.

I tied on a Whisky fly – all bright orange, gold, and red – drew 40 feet of line from my old reel, and cast quartering downstream. The fly swung in the current, settled, and I began a slow methodical retrieve. It took three casts

before the pool showed me life. On the fourth, the line stopped cold.

A short, quick tug with my line hand, and I felt the thumping weight of the first smallmouth of the day. So I raised the rod and drew it in.

Five more followed in short order – the

largest being a chunky 13-inch fish that leapt wildly, fought well in the current, glistened among the rocks when I took its photo, and slashed defiantly at the water upon release.

It was just what the doctor ordered. From that spot, knee deep in the creek, perspective was gained. Though walls of spruce and curtains of alders hemmed me in, it was easier to see the essentials.

I have always found order and purpose in places like this. Things in nature make brutal and perfect sense. And if you listen closely enough, a place like this can talk to you; whisper things in a universal language; send signals, teach you a little more, and show you ample proof that there is a kind and compassionate God.

When the wind picked up and the dark clouds rolled in, the fish stopped hitting and the Jewelwings took shelter, clinging stubbornly to the bouncing reeds. Even I, with my desk-dulled senses, could see it was time to leave.

The rain came a short while later, just as I was putting my fly rod back in its case. The creek and I were rejuvenated. Important things both.

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